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TOURISTS are being turned away from Hongkong because of the shortage of hotel accommodation. For years travel experts have been issuing warnings that the Colony would lose out because of its lack of first class hotels. And now that tourist promotion and jet air travel are attracting more people the accommodation problem is becoming steadily worse.

It seems silly sinking money—taxpayers' money—into publicising Hongkong overseas if some tourists have nowhere to stay when they come here. The Tourist Association has obviously succeeded in its job; but what has happened to local enterprise that it should be so slow to recognise an apparently good investment?

AS many as six new hotels are either in the planning or building stage—three in Kowloon and possibly three in Hongkong, that is, assuming that the Murray Barracks site is sold to hotel interests. But barring political trouble in the Far East there are very good reasons for believing that even if all these hotels are built, the accommodation problem in the five busiest months of the year will be the same as it is today—tourism is increasing so rapidly. At present hotels of every grade and quality are packed, and some tourists are even being privately accommodated.

There are also indications that a hotel booking service is not being used to the best advantage when it could be made to play a useful role finding alternative accommodation for visitors unable to secure places in the hotel to which they have been recommended. This is a service which should be brought prominently to the notice of intending visitors.

UNFORTUNATELY for Hongkong there is no assurance of a speedy solution to these shortages. Hotels are expensive to build and maintain and construction takes about three years. As more go up, investors will become increasingly cautious and even the optimistic prediction by international tourist experts of 400,000 visitors a year by 1968 will not be enough to dispel the lurking fear many undoubtedly have of becoming deeply committed in a business which might at any time reach saturation point.

It is a pity for Hongkong that tourists should be put off when so much free, good publicity is now coming our way. But it is obviously impossible to blame investors for passing up opportunities when it involves tying down substantial capital in an unpredictable area for a long time.

One idea which might appeal to hoteliers is to charter an old liner which has been sold to a Far East breaker's yard—like the "Ile de France" dismantled in Japan or the "Carnarvon Castle" recently broken up in Hongkong—and tie it up for a season or two in midstream, using it as a floating hotel, before it is scrapped. There are enough air passengers visiting Hongkong to make the novelty of living for a week in the middle of one of the most beautiful harbours in the world a fascinating and paying proposition.

C'wealth leaders agree to public censure

London, May 11.
Ten out of eleven British Commonwealth leaders agreed today to make public a declaration disowning South Africa's strict racial policies.

This major development has followed a virtual breakdown in the informal talks arranged with the South African Foreign Minister Mr. Eric Louw, in a bid to modify South Africa's controversial policy of apartheid.

In another unprecedented move, the Conference of Commonwealth Premiers reinforced political isolation of the Union government.

Withhold

They did so by withholding a pledge sought by Mr. Louw that South Africa would be allowed to stay within the Commonwealth if and when it decides to become a republic like India, Pakistan or Ghana.

These delicate but determined actions were taken to state off one of the most serious issues that has confronted the Commonwealth. The British Prime Minister, Mr. Harold Macmillan, trying to play a conciliatory role, had been confronted with a full-scale revolt by countries like Ghana, Malaysia, India, Pakistan, Ceylon and some white ruled Commonwealth countries, too, unless a firm stand was taken on the tangled South African issue.

Three choices

The refusal by anti-apartheid Premiers to provide a guarantee of continued Commonwealth membership faces South Africa with the choice of three critical courses:

- Postpone indefinitely its plan for referendum on whether to assume republic status.
- Liberalise its race policies in order to insure a Commonwealth link.
- Enforce its apartheid programme and risk exclusion from the Commonwealth which provides a handsome trade and tariff protection worth many millions of pounds a year to its exporters.

The agreement by the Commonwealth leaders to disavow the sort of discriminatory racial policies practised by South Africa was reported by senior Commonwealth officials.

They said only the form of the disavowal has to be decided and present plans are to issue it on Friday when the conference ends.

Bremen, May 11.
A Royal Air Force plane crashed last night, killing the crew of three, the West German news agency DPA reported today.

The crash was near Cloppenburg, about 40 miles southwest of Bremen.—Reuter.

Divorcee to challenge action of Admiralty

London, May 11.
The action of the Admiralty in stopping the allowance of a wife whose husband is serving in Hongkong and was granted a decree nisi on the grounds of his desertion—is to be challenged in the House of Commons.

The husband is Petty Officer James Morgan who left his wife, Mrs. Lydia Morgan, after their son was born in 1955. Her case will be taken to the Commons by Conservative



Mr. John D. Rockefeller Junior and sons David, Nelson, Winthrop, Lawrence and John.

Death of 'richest man in the world'

Tucson, May 11.
Mr. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., the oil millionaire and father of New York's Governor, Mr. Nelson Rockefeller, died here today. He was 86.

Mr. Rockefeller died after an illness of several months at Tucson Medical Centre.

His condition deteriorated early this week and Governor Rockefeller flew to his side today.

Mr. John D. Rockefeller, Jr.—he inherited his father's reputation as "the richest man in the world"—made it his chief mission in life to give away money.

He was the only son of John D. Rockefeller, oil king and philanthropist.

He put the name "Junior" on his name because he said there could only be one John D. Rockefeller. He was always known by his close associate as "Mr. Junior."

But like his father he regarded his wealth as a trust, to be re-distributed for the benefit of mankind.



ULRICA FORBES
ARTIST
KILLED

Capetown, May 11.
Mrs. Ulrica Forbes, 57-year-old artist commissioned in 1954 by the Queen Mother for a portrait of Princess Anne died here tonight after being attacked by a 'non-white'.

Mrs. Forbes was stabbed and her assailant poured a bottle of benzene over her and set her on fire. The attacker has still not been arrested.—Reuter.

Up to 1956 he had spent an estimated \$400 million financing a variety of philanthropic projects in America and other countries.

Since then, with a few exceptions, he has made his donations anonymously.

Mr. Rockefeller lavishly endowed American universities, especially negro colleges, gathered art treasures for public showing, gave land for parks, restored historical monuments and financed missionary work and medical research.

Much of the money was directed towards improving international relations, and he gave the United Nations the site for its headquarters in New York.

He also built the monumental collection of buildings in the heart of New York known as the Rockefeller Centre.

Religious

"Mr. Junior" neither smoked nor drank. He was a deeply religious Baptist but worked for inter-denominationalism and gave money to Catholic and Jewish as well as Protestant charities.

His crowded busy life was dominated by his mission of giving money away, and he once said, "I can conceive nothing so unpleasant as a life devoted to pleasure."

Despite a life of achievement, he was a modest man, and once told Mr. Raymond Fosdick, who sought to write his biography: "What on earth would you find to write about?"

His father, Mr. John D. Rockefeller, was founder of the petroleum empire which includes the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey.

It has been estimated that the father and son between them gave away more than \$875 million. Mr. Rockefeller, Jr. controlled the family fortune for 20 years before his father's death in 1937.

Benefited

More than 50 countries have benefited from the family's philanthropy through the Rockefeller Foundation, which annually dispenses many millions of dollars in grants.

The latest of the grants, totalling nearly \$5 million for the first quarter of 1960, were announced only last night.

Governor Rockefeller and other members of his family reached his bedside a few hours before his death.

In 1901, he married Abby Aldrich, who died in 1948. Three years later he married Mrs. Martha Baird Allen, a talented pianist who was the widow of a life-long friend.

By his first marriage he had five sons, John, Lawrence, Nelson, Winthrop and David, and a daughter, Abby.—Reuter.

KIM NOVAK VERY ILL



New York, May 11.
Film Star Kim Novak, described as "a very sick girl," is in Doctors Hospital for treatment of a possible liver ailment, her studio said today.

Miss Novak, 27, has not been feeling well for about a month, a spokesman said. She entered the hospital on Tuesday. Doctors said they believe she is suffering from some type of jaundice but tests still are being taken.—AP.

Delay in building skyscraper explained

Construction of the multi-million Fu Centre Hotel has been delayed over the decision on the method of piling to be used.

Mr. C. H. Ma, Secretary of the Fu Centre Organisation announced this today.

The hotel is to be built on Connaught Road, on the site now occupied by Butterfield and Swire Ltd.

"At present," he said "we want to get underway as quickly as possible."

"However, we are now considering several methods of piling and as soon as a decision is reached we will start immediately."

Mr. Ma said that the height of the hotel was originally planned to be 22 stories.

"At this stage I don't know whether the actual height has been confirmed," he said. "I believe the architect whose design has been fully approved will make some announcement soon."

He said that the Fu Centre when completed would cost over HK\$10 million.

Mr. Ma said that he thinks Butterfield and Swire will vacate the premises towards the end of June.

ANOTHER HECTIC EXCHANGE MORNING

The Hongkong Stock Exchange experienced another hectic morning today when turnover topped \$7.2 million beating yesterday's record for a morning session by more than half a million dollars.

China Lights which closed yesterday at \$23.50 rose to \$24 this morning and Electric was also better by 50 cents at \$29.80.

Telephones at \$40 1/4, Cements at \$5 1/4, and Yauwatt Ferry at \$186 were all a dollar better.

Other stocks to show rises this morning were Hongkong Tramways and Lane Crawford. Docks which touched a new high of \$130 yesterday eased back today to \$126. Banks were steady at \$128.5.

Soviet spies caught red-handed

Berne, May 11.
Two officials of the Soviet Embassy in Berne have been ordered "to leave Switzerland immediately" for spying, the Swiss Government announced here today.

The announcement said the two Russians were arrested in Zurich last night as they were talking to an agent in the pay of the Soviet espionage service.

They were to have received from the agent plans of Swiss army radar establishments and information on the organisation of the Swiss Army, as well as plans on rocket bases in Western Germany.

The names of the two Soviet officials and the nationality of the agent were not given.

Taken to jail

The Zurich police said that the two Soviet Embassy officials had been arrested as they left a restaurant in the city last night.

They were immediately taken to the Zurich City Jail where they spent the night.

The Zurich police said they were instructed by the Federal police to release the two Russians this morning and to inform them that they had to leave the country "within 24 hours."

It is understood that the two Russians returned immediately to the Soviet Embassy in Berne to make preparations for their departure.

Both the Federal police in Berne and the Zurich Cantonal Police refused to identify the agent or to say whether he had been arrested or not.

This gave rise to speculation that he may have been a double agent, who led the two Soviet officials into a trap, and whose identity the police wished to keep secret.

The Queen Mother arrives in Rhodesia

Salisbury, May 11.
The Queen Mother arrived here today to begin her 20-day tour of the Central Africa Federation.

A crowd of about 800 people of all races waited at the airport to meet her. A salute of 21 guns was fired as she stepped smiling from the aircraft and was welcomed by the Governor-General, Lord Dalhousie, and the Countess of Dalhousie.

Governor of southern Rhodesia Sir Humphrey Gibbs, and Lady Gibbs, also welcomed her. In the centre of the city, crowds of men, women and children of all races thronged the Royal route six deep half an hour before the procession was due.—AP.

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Russia won't 'open skies'

GROMYKO SAYS IDEA WOULD BENEFIT U.S. INTELLIGENCE

Moscow, May 11. Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko said today the Soviet Union could not accept the United States "open skies" proposal, Tass reported.

Kennedy faces 2 more hurdles

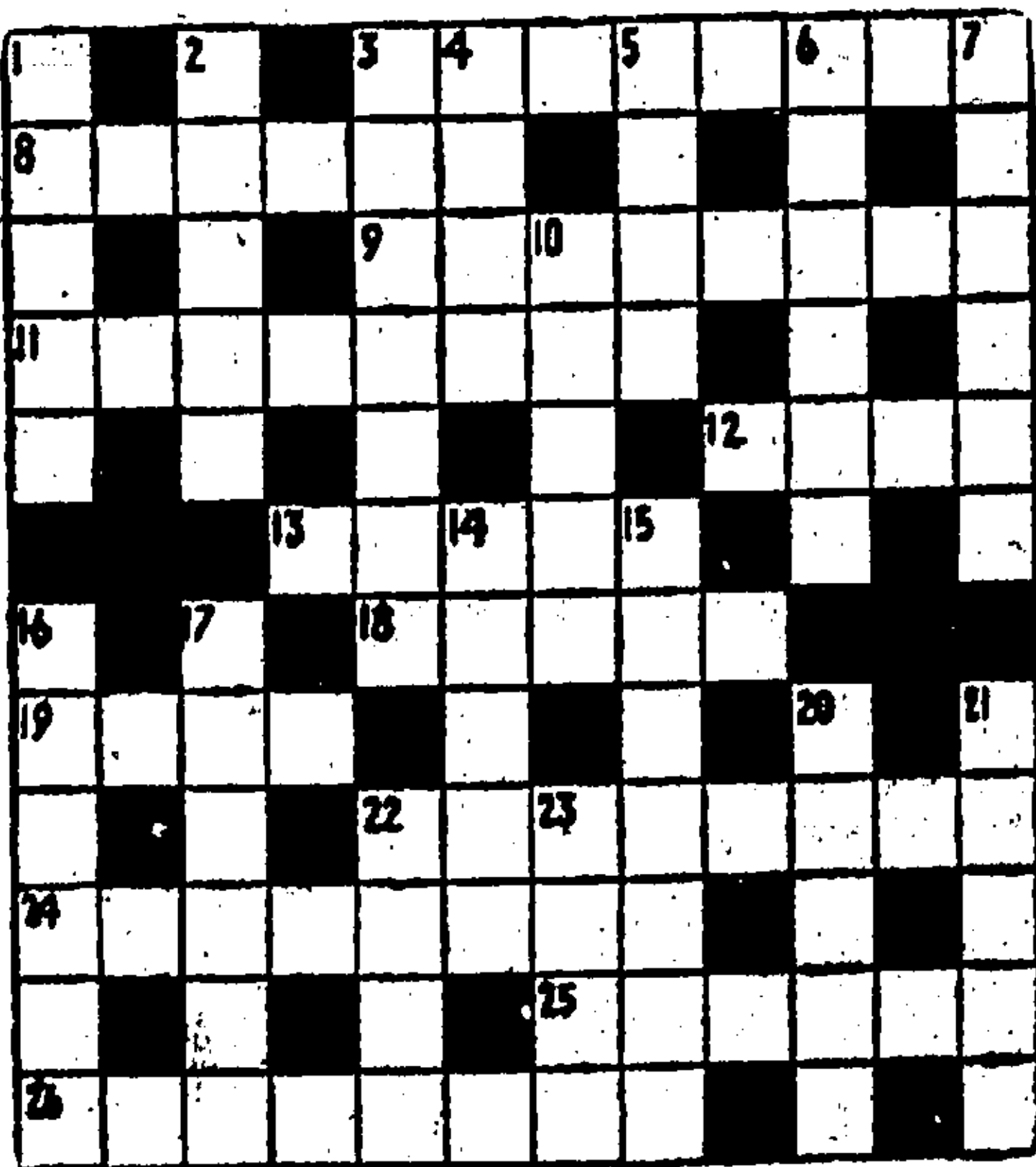
New York, May 11. Two more primary elections stand between Senator John F. Kennedy and the Democratic national convention on July 11 in Los Angeles.

The front-running Democratic contender for his party's nomination will be opposed in Maryland on May 17 by Senator Wayne-Morse of Oregon. Then on May 20 in Oregon, Kennedy will meet Senator Morse again, plus unwilling entries, Senators Lyndon B. Johnson and Stuart Symington. Senator Hubert H. Humphrey is also on the Democratic ballot in Oregon, but he stopped campaigning for the nomination after his defeat in West Virginia.

UNIQUE

The Oregon primary is unique. Candidates may get on the ballot by petition, as did Senator Morse, or be put on by the state Secretary of State without their consent. This year the Secretary of State also listed Estes Kefauver, the primary election champion of 1956, and Adlai Stevenson on the Democratic ballot. Both withdrew by submitting affidavits that they were not candidates for the nomination. Governor Nelson Rockefeller also disavowed his candidacy, and his name was stricken from the Republican ballot, leaving Vice President Richard M. Nixon unopposed. —UPI

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Organist, much upset and feeling the heat badly! (6).
 - The big boys? (3, 3).
 - What to do after mistakenly marking an answer wrong? (3, 5).
 - Strict Jew (8).
 - In summer especially, oddly enough, it's full of water (4).
 - One way to rearrange trees (5).
 - Back at sea (5).
 - What a frost it is! (4).
 - Architectural feature in a variety of patterns (8).
 - Neer-co-wells (8).
 - An excursion of the best circle (6).
 - This bird to the mortling is the shepherd's warning they say (8).
- DOWN**
- Familiar, no doubt, to that aforesaid organist (5).
 - Jack-fish? (5).
 - Feels discontent about the trees (7).
 - So United Nations assumes responsibility (4).
 - The tender return of Eros (6).
 - Chimney corners (6).
 - Splutter like a candle at the roadside (6).
 - Wigwag (6).
 - Rude look? (6).
 - Things in this are on the way (7).
 - Demonstrator in the wet circle (6).
 - Satisfied the examiners and went on one's way (6).
 - This specialist in wickedness lived up to it (6).
 - Setting for Theophrastus (5).
 - Equine suit (4).
 - Flying wings, give some salary (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD. — Across: 3 Champion, 7 Amigo, 8 Pass-part, 10 Be-the-14, 13 A-male-14, 15 Elde, 17 Enlaced, 18 Decade, 20 Act, 21 Tears up, 22 Zooth, 23 Lateral, 24 Idles, 25 Apertures. Down: 1 M-a-MB-6, 2 Pichu, 3 Cops-E, 4 Muse, 5 Ironie, 6 Netled, 9 At-ted, 11 Embed, 12 Ellen, 13 Smeza, 14 Balip, 16 Debut, 18 Dablis, 19 Cerise, 22 Azela, 23 Side, 24 Phase, 25 Teat.

FATHER'S APPEAL



Oliver W. Powers, 55, father of Francis Powers, the American spy pilot detained in the Soviet Union, holds his son's dog, Girl, at his home in Pound, Virginia. He has appealed to Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev, "as one old coal miner to another," to release his son unharmed. Powers senior said he was a miner for 15 years. He now runs a shoe shop at Norton, Virginia.—AP.

Shah of Iran wins heart of Brussels

Brussels, May 11. The Shah of Iran quickly won the heart of Brussels today.

U.K. protests 'sabotage' at film festival

Cannes, May 11. The British delegation at the Cannes International Film Festival today protested against what was regarded as a French producer's move to "sabotage" Britain's official entry, "Sons and Lovers."

Britains film, the Jerry Wald production on the famous D. H. Lawrence novel, is scheduled to be shown next Tuesday to a gala festival audience. A French producer, Jules Bokan, has advised festival celebrities that same evening to the world premiere at Cannes' Cinema Majestic, of "Le Dialogue Des Carmelites," with the attendance of stars like Jeanne Moreau, Alida Valli and Pierre Brasseur.

UNPRECEDENTED

British officials at Cannes regard this as unfair competition and unprecedented in festival history. Normally such extra films, not entered in the competition, are presented privately at hours that do not conflict with official showings. The International Federation of Film Producers Associations was meeting today to consider Britain's protest, which was brought to its attention by Arthur Watkins, head of the British Film Producers Association and John Stapleton, British representative at the festival.—AP.

Tunnel accident

Airolo, Switzerland, May 11. The St. Gotthard rail tunnel was temporarily closed early today when the trailer of a lorry on one of the leading wagons shifted and hit the tunnel wall, which was badly damaged. The trailer also touched the high tension overhead wire, producing a series of vivid flashes. No one was hurt.—China Mail Special.

Misshapen tubes lead to arrest of Red agents

Beirut, May 11. Suspicions aroused by bulging tubes of toothpaste in a traveller's luggage has led to the arrest of a network of Communist agents in Lebanon, Beirut police officials announced today.

They said the network was discovered following the arrest last month at Beirut airport of a Jordanian Dr Jamil Baddour.

Customs inspectors were intrigued by misshapen tubes of toothpaste in Baddour's luggage it was said, and when they opened the tubes they found 12 coded messages inside.

When the messages were decoded they revealed a system of contacts for a central Communist agency for the Near East with headquarters in the East German city of Leipzig and correspondents in Beirut, officials declared.

COUNTERFEIT CARDS

They said seven Lebanese operating a Communist liaison centre have been arrested. The arrested men have been brought before the military prosecutor who is conducting the investigation, it was said.

Police said counterfeit Lebanese identity cards were discovered in the possession of those arrested. These cards would allow Communist agents arriving in Lebanon to circulate in other Arab countries, officials said.—AFP.

Millionth refugee

New York, May 11. A 10-year-old Latvian boy named Andreis Saitis—the millionth European refugee to be cared for by the International Committee for European Migration—arrived here today by plane.

Andreis, born in a displaced persons camp in West Germany, was accompanied by his father. His mother and two brothers, already installed in Kalamazoo, Michigan, were on hand to greet him at the airport.

Mayor Robert Wagner of New York was also at Idlewild airport to welcome Andreis to America.—AP.

EARTHA KITT TO MARRY

Los Angeles, May 11. Eartha Kitt, the Negro entertainer, announced today she is to marry a white man, Mr. William McDonald, a property investor.

They took out a marriage licence today and plan to marry on June 9. Both are 30.—Reuter.

Appeal against death by gas chamber

San Quentin, May 11. Two men condemned to death, awaiting execution in the San Quentin gas chamber, have claimed their constitutional rights would be violated if they were executed in the gas chamber, since death is not necessarily immediate, it was learned here today.

James Hooton, 27 years old, who is scheduled to die next Friday in the same gas chamber where convicted rapist Caryl Chessman was executed on May 2, and James Linden, 46 years old, both condemned for the murder of a policeman, have introduced a demand for habeas corpus before a California court. Their grounds were that press reports said after the execution of Chessman the effect of cyanide vapours is not necessarily immediate.

The San Quentin Prison Board of directors said most of the executed lost consciousness after 30 seconds, while their heart might continue functioning for another eight or nine minutes.—AFP.

Free Scotland radio project

Edinburgh, May 12. "Radio Free Scotland," the Scottish Nationalists' "pirate" radio station, told its listeners early today it was preparing to step up the power of its present transmitter here and to put a second secret transmitter into operation in Glasgow within six months' time.

The station, which urges self-government for Scotland, goes on the air once a week from a secret transmitter following the shutdown of the regular British Broadcasting Corporation services for the night.—Reuter.

Apartheid deplored

York, May 11. South Africa's racial segregation was formally deplored by another leading Church of England body today.

The Convocation of York unanimously approved a resolution viewing apartheid with "grave concern" and assuring the South African Church of its constant sympathy and support. The resolution also urged Christians in Britain to pray for Africa.—AP.

Stole from Terry Thomas

Liverpool, May 11. A 20-year-old variety artist, Joseph Tarback, was placed on probation for two years here yesterday after pleading guilty to stealing a diamond-studded cigarette-holder belonging to comedian Terry Thomas.—China Mail Special.

Literacy poll

Padang, W. Sumatra, May 12. Authorities, assisted by traffic police here, stopped traffic and conducted a poll on literacy.

Those found unable to read and write were given booklets entitled "Let's Us Read Together"—AP.

12 British notables plan action against apartheid

London, May 11. Twelve well-known British politicians and public figures have put forward a five-point plan for action against apartheid to the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' conference, it was disclosed here tonight.

The signatories to the plan include the Bishop of Birmingham and Southwark, and Lord Hemmingsford, Lord Pakenham, Lord Altrincham, Mr. James Callaghan, the Labour Party's spokesman on Colonial Affairs, and Mr. Clement Davies, former Liberal Party leader.

Their plan, contained in a memorandum, was separately discussed by deputations from them with Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru and Tunku Abdul Rahman, the Indian and Malayan Prime Ministers.

SUGGESTIONS

The five suggestions made by the signatories were:

● The Commonwealth Prime Ministers' Conference should publicly declare that principles of equality between races and political freedom are fundamental to its role in world affairs.

● The conference should call upon the South African Government to reverse its policy of apartheid and to make a fresh start on the basis of freedom and equality, and respect for the dignity and humanity of all men irrespective of race.

● The Commonwealth governments should contribute to a Commonwealth fund for relief or to any other fund bringing relief to the victims and their dependents of apartheid and the present state of emergency.

● As the system of apartheid is being rigorously applied in the "mandated" territory of south-west Africa, giving rise to racial animosity and insecurity, the Commonwealth governments should take the initiative in the United Nations in ensuring that henceforth south-west Africa be administered strictly in accordance with the mandate. If necessary, the United Nations should be urged to revoke the mandate and to replace the present South African administration by one instituted by the United Nations.

● The conference should appeal to the South African Government forthwith to release or try detainees imprisoned under the emergency.

COMMUNIQUE

The communiqué said:

"We are not asking you to consider any proposal beyond implementation by Commonwealth governments, nor do we call for South Africa's expulsion from the Commonwealth. We believe it is in the interests of peace and harmony in South Africa that the Commonwealth influence should continue to be exerted."—Reuter.

New bid to orbit big U.S. balloon

Washington, May 11. A new American attempt will be made tomorrow to launch a gigantic balloon into orbit around the earth, as a reflector for radio signals.

The project, also experiment was originally set for May 5 at Cape Canaveral, Florida, but was postponed because of technical difficulties in the re-orbit stage rocket of the delta vehicle.

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration, which usually withholds advance public word on satellites, said in announcing the new date today that it was doing so to give volunteer private participants in the experiment time to get ready.

RADIO STATION

The 100-foot diameter balloon, of plastic with a thin metallic skin, is intended to be inflated after it is ejected in collapsed form from the head of the carrier rocket. It is planned to serve as a passive radio relay station, bouncing signals between distant points.—AP.

Three other 'spy' planes were lost

New York, May 11. The New York Daily News reported today that the United States had lost three U-2 spy planes in addition to the one which crashed in Russia on May 1.

The newspaper said that according to "excellent sources," one disappeared without trace, a second was destroyed by automatic demolition—the pilot presumably sacrificing his life to protect the secrecy of his mission—and a third was seen to explode in the air over "neutral" territory after the pilot had reported engine trouble.—Reuter.

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a.m. on May 13 and 14, 1960 and
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V.I.P.S

Introducing the 'oilers' who ease their path to comfort

by JOHN DEANE POTTER

London, May 11.
If you are a stranger to air travel you may be occasionally puzzled by a covey of rare cosseted creatures who are ushered into the aircraft before you by an obsequious stewardess. You may even wonder why they are given privileges and priorities over the other fare-paying passengers.

If you know the rules of the game you will know it is no use complaining. Because these are V.I.P.s.

As a 100,000-mile-plus air traveller, I have never been free of these ubiquitous pests.

Always 18 Japanese are bowed aboard before me. Or six clerical characters carrying briefcases. If I ever query their presence and priority the stewardess murmurs in tone of holy awe: "Delegation."

One of these privileged nobodies—who become nobility in the air—only affected the first-class passengers. But now they are invading the tourist class, where the bulk of the fare-paying, holiday-making passengers travel.

For instance, John Profumo, the M.P., and his wife, Valerie Hobson, the actress, went by Comet to Rome, tourist class. But they were accorded V.I.P. treatment. They were given the best seats to avoid the noise.

Do not be surprised by this. It is according to the best laid-out rules of the air V.I.P. game.

A Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, Profumo and his wife are Grade 1 V.I.P.s. The Ministry of Aviation see that they are shown into a special commandant's suite while waiting for the car to drive them a few hundred yards to the Comet waiting on the tarmac.

Yet no one seems to think it strange that there is no private waiting-room or guard for them if they decide to take a train from Paddington to Waterloo.

But at London Airport there are three official V.I.P. lounges. They are controlled by the Ministry of Aviation and used for Heads of State, Ministers, and heads of armed forces.

A DRINK
They are placed in the part of the building where the noise of the aircraft is least. The private suite, which is used by Junior Ministers and ambassadors and such small fry, is smaller, faces the tarmac, and is noisier.

They are not, however, offered a free drink. Only someone like the Prime Minister, Mr Macmillan, is offered one on the house.

This is the official side of the V.I.P. business. But that is only the beginning. The airlines have their own ratings. They include film stars, other well-known personalities, and a very important class known as C.I.P.s.

These are big business men—Commercially Important Persons—who use a particular airline a lot or are able to put business in its way.

CARS
THE Bore has three or four gold-braided officials on duty all the time to nurse a V.I.P. and cocoon him against the stunning shocks of travel.

They meet him, check his luggage, take his tickets so he does not have to queue up at the desk, and take him to their special lounge.

In the Bore lounge, a white-coated stewardess or a hostess offers him free cocktails, cigarettes, sandwiches, and peanuts.

He is then edged through Customs before the rest of the passengers. In exceptional cases, however, like a Cabinet Minister—or Frank Sinatra, "was the way it was put to me—they will be driven the few hundred yards to the aircraft by special car.

DIFFERENT
They are always taken first to the aircraft before the ordinary people like you and me are allowed near it so that they can choose the best seats.

Boac employs a dozen senior officials at an average salary of £1,500 a year whose main duty is to handle these important passengers.

They are known at the airport as "handshakers" or "oilers." Whether this is intended to refer to their personalities or the speed with which they lubricate the passengers' progress is not clear.

Pan American has a different but equally "oily" system. They have their Clipper Club. If you are a V.I.P. in their estimation you are given a badge and a membership card which means

you can use any V.I.P. lounge anywhere in the world—and have a free drink.

IGNORED
ODDLY enough not everyone likes being "oiled" aboard an aircraft. For instance, Ernest Marples, Minister of Transport, nearly always ignores the £1,500-a-year "handshakers" and waits with the other passengers.

Reginald Maundling, President of the Board of Trade, is another rebel. He has been twice tracked down by "oilers" heretically reading a newspaper in the ordinary passenger lounge.

As an airport official put it: "He was brought to heel quickly and smartly whisked off to the V.I.P.s' lounge."

Another objector is the young Aga Khan, who hates people fussing round him. He insists, much to the consternation of the handshakers, on being treated like the ordinary passenger.

But most of the others love it. And they have two large free whisky apiece on average. At 200 V.I.P.s a day that amounts to more than two dozen bushels of bottles every day.

Is it all necessary? Of course not. It is all part of a self-important mystique that grew up during the war when it was urgent that important people were not off-loaded from sparse transport planes. It is time this pompous nonsense was forgotten.

—(London Express Service).

• BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

GOOD morning, alleged human beings. A correspondent asks me where was the river Alph, mentioned in Coleridge's famous poem about Kubla Khan.

Alph was not a river. In a letter to Wordsworth, Coleridge complained of a misprint. The line, "Where Alph the sacred river ran," should have read, "Where, Alf, the sacred river ran." Alf was Alfred Wharton, then poet's friend, to whom the poem was dedicated.

Do it yourself
The Millington warping-iron, with slotted tangles and half-depth levers fitted to cumbersome oxtubers. Useful for sifting crushed mulberries or parading the ends of tub-stays.

They needed no
microphone
IS the human voice growing feeble? Audiences are always amazed when a speaker dispenses with that infernal gadget, the microphone. My father had the loudest voice in Europe. When he shouted in Bourd'Olsans they heard him on the Lauterter pass. The second harbingers of spring which Dr Strabismus (Whom God Preserve) of Utrecht, discovered in South America. It is an inquisitive bird, and comes here, in April to look about and utter its queer call: chup-chup-chup-chuppa whirreeeee. It builds its convex nest in rubbish dumps, and feeds on stinkwort, maisey, fonzet-seeds and midges. In August it flies back to Bogota. "His nose is red, but not from drink," as Browning wrote of Carlyle.

—(London Express Service).

An unusual visitor

THE strange bird on a roof of Tiverton is probably the red-nosed nuthatch, the elusive harbingers of spring which Dr Strabismus (Whom God Preserve) of Utrecht, discovered in South America. It is an inquisitive bird, and comes here, in April to look about and utter its queer call: chup-chup-chup-chuppa whirreeeee. It builds its convex nest in rubbish dumps, and feeds on stinkwort, maisey, fonzet-seeds and midges. In August it flies back to Bogota. "His nose is red, but not from drink," as Browning wrote of Carlyle.

—(London Express Service).

Jealousy wrecked her 16 marriages

LOS ANGELES.
Mrs Beverly Nina Avery explains her 16 marriages like this:

"Most men just don't believe a woman can be passionate and still be true. Jealousy wrecked every one of my marriages, but I was always true."

Mrs Avery is 50, blonde and petite.

"I've had 14 husbands and married two of my ex-husbands twice," she said. "I don't know why, but I've never had a husband yet that didn't want to marry me."

Mrs Avery is in the process of divorcing Gabriel L. Avery, a parking lot attendant. He was No. 14 and No. 16.

"I wish I knew what made marriage difficult," she said. "There are no rules to follow. Some girls who look like angels are the opposite."

"The girls who seem to be the most flirtatious usually make the best wives."

"As for me, I think the best looking husbands usually fool around least with other women. Homey men have to prove to themselves they're better looking than they are."

AT 16
Mrs Avery, who was born Beverly Nina Shuffelburger in Norfolk, Va., married for the first time when she was 18, and working in a restaurant in Oakland, Calif.

"My husband was 24," she said. "We were married three weeks. He got sore about something, and we broke up."

Mrs Avery said she constantly studies other people's marriages to learn where she failed.

"I look at them and then I look at my children and get lonely," she said. "I'm crazy about kids but never had any."

"Now I wouldn't want any because I wouldn't want them to be scandalised by my marriages. But if I only had one—just one—things might have been different. It's something to live for."

Would she get married again? "No, it's too heartbreaking," she said. "I'm through with men for good. I don't know what I'll do though, I've been so busy getting married and divorced that I don't have a talent for anything else."

"But, I'll tell you, if I had everything to do over again, I'd get a better education. Health and education come first, and I put money away down the list. I never married for it."

"I had a stepmother, and I was pulled out of school when I was 15. I'd never let that happen to a child of mine.—UPI.

The security treaty issue is still the dominant topic

Tokyo (By Airmail).

The Japan-U.S. Security Treaty continued to dominate the Japanese political scene last week—and as usual Prime Minister Nobusuke Kishi answered all Opposition questions as smoothly as an eel swimming in a barrel of olive oil.

Socialists contended that Japan was a peace-loving country and therefore did not need a security treaty or armed forces. They also pointed out that Red China was a peace-loving country—and that some of Kishi's colleagues had said as much. What did he have to say to that?

Kishi admitted that Communist China was a peace-loving country and was not seeking to wage any war.

In that case, said the Socialists, there was no need for Japan to tie itself to the U.S. through a security treaty.

Kishi answered: Communist China has a gigantic military force to check the outbreak of any war just as Japan is trying to defend itself under the security treaty with the U.S.

In answer to other questions, Kishi said that Japan hoped the Formosan problem would be settled peacefully, but if fighting did break out, Japan will be unable to remain indifferent due to its "interest in the maintenance of peace in Asia."

However, he said, this did not mean that Japan would allow U.S. forces based in this country to go to the scene of any trouble for military action. "The matter would have to be discussed in advance between the governments of the two countries, as provided in the security treaty," he said.

Back in the good old days Japanese sons never murdered their fathers—well, not much. And for that matter only unusual wives pushed their husbands into the hereafter.

But the influence of television, comic books and the foreigner with his strange habits has changed all that.

Take the case of the 14-year-old boy from Kaizuka, near Osaka.

His father reprimanded him about his behavior one night last week. The boy and the stern father argued (sons never argued with their fathers in the good old days).

The father, possibly to cool his anger, decided to have a glass of whisky—which proved fatal. The boy slipped poison into the drink.

Father, a cook at a local sanatorium had brought the poison home a few days previously—and had very carefully told his children that the little brown bottle on the kitchen shelf was extremely dangerous.

The poison had been intended for dogs.

Then there was the young housewife who believed in drastic remedies for drastic situations.

Haruko Mura, a 28-year-old housewife told police in Yokohama that they could find the body of her husband buried beneath the floor of their home.

He was. Investigators found rope strangulation marks around his throat as well as many fingernail scratches on the face.

It appears that hubby, who had been out of work for some time, had promised to look for a job on the morning of March 3. That morning Haruko attempted to get him out of bed—but he refused, saying he was too tired.

"Then I got indignant," Haruko told the police.

She went to police when her dead husband's relatives became suspicious about his long absence.

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FAN BELT CAUSED DISASTROUS COLLIERY FIRE

London, May 11.
A fan belt two-and-half ounces under the specified weight contributed to a fire at a Scottish colliery last September when 47 men were suffocated, an official report on the disaster said today.

BBC ENDING 9 P.M. NEWS SEPTEMBER

London, May 11.
The "9 p.m. News"—during which Sir Winston Churchill delivered his wartime announcements—is to end, the British Broadcasting Corporation announced here today.

After September 10, the 15-minute programme will be incorporated with a 30-minute programme of news and comment on world affairs to be broadcast from Monday to Friday at 10 p.m.

The change of time of the evening news bulletin is necessary because a family service of this kind (the 10 p.m. programme), in order to be as useful as possible to listeners, needs to have absolute regularity, and no such regularity could be guaranteed to a programme of this length earlier in the evening," the BBC said.

NEARLY 20 YEARS

The old 9 p.m. News, in addition to serving as Sir Winston Churchill's platform, was the widest - heard of the BBC's newscasts, with an estimated 750,000 to one million listeners. It has been heard for almost 20 years.

A "silent minute" was always observed at the start, during which the nine chiming of Big Ben were rung and stations around the world had time to "link up" to give their listeners the chance to get the news direct from London.—Reuter.

UK MAJOR ENEMIES

London, May 11.
Britain's three major enemies are fire, crime and death on the roads, Mr. R. A. Butler, the Home Secretary, said today.

About 600 people lost their lives every year through fires in the home, he added, and several thousand more received serious injuries.

Mr Butler, who was opening a new fire station near London, said fires last year cost the country £44 million.—China Mail Special.

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WOMAN IN THE MOON

— NEXT CHANGE —
"BELOVED INFIDEL"

'Bismark' squadron standard

London, May 11.
Royal Air Force Squadron No. 209 which tracked down the German battleship Bismark in World War II will receive its Squadron Standard at a ceremony on Friday at Kuala Lumpur, it was announced here today.

A plane from the squadron located the German raider in the Atlantic in 1941 and, although hit by gunfire, continued shadowing the warship until its destruction by Allied naval forces.

The squadron, formed in 1917 as No. 9 Squadron of the Royal Naval Air Service, was disbanded in 1919 and reformed in 1930. After World War II it served in Korea and Malaya.—China Mail Special.

Most modern rolling mill opened

Prescot, May 11.
The world's largest and most modern metal and rolling mill was brought into service here yesterday.

Operated by only 17 men, it will produce automatically 100,000 tons of copper rods each year.

The £1,500,000 mill was built by a British firm which produces nearly a quarter of Britain's total copper rod output.

It takes 85 seconds to convert a 280 pound bar of Rhodanian copper into a quarter of a mile of copper rod for electric cables.

The President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Reginald Maudling, officially opened the mill.—China Mail Special.

Beaufacturers ending ops. duties today

London, May 11.
The Bristol Beaufacturer, Britain's "Whispering Death" night interceptor aircraft of World War II, is ending operational duties after 20 years, it was announced today.

The last of more than 5,500 built since 1940 will tomorrow make a final operational sortie for the Royal Air Force from Selatun, Singapore, on "tug" duty—laying a target.

First night fighter powerful enough to take advantage of airborne interceptor radar, the Beaufacturer was issued to Fighter Command in the spring of 1940.

The twin-engine, two-seater also served as a day fighter in the Middle East and Far East. An all-round utility war plane, it was further adapted by Coastal Command for long-range operations with bombs, rockets and torpedoes.

Since 1955, Beaufacturers still in service have been converted to target-towing duties.—China Mail Special.

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Sergeants downhill: Dr Moore up

Sidney, Neb., May 11.
The two British sergeants walking across the U.S. continued their trek over Nebraska today and the course will be downhill all through the state.

The two, Sgts Mervyn Evans, 33 and Patrick Moloney, 37, entered Nebraska on Tuesday and camped near Sidney. They said they were about on schedule.

The two expected to stay in Chappell, 25 miles east of Sidney tonight.

The altitude in Nebraska rises nearly 5,000 feet from the Missouri River on the east to the Wyoming line on the west. The country through which the pair is walking is practically flat with a gently downhill slope.

ANOTHER HURDLE

Dr Moore, with the continental divide behind her, faces one more mountain hurdle in the Colorado Rockies before she reaches the plains on her Trek.

Seventy miles ahead of her is a 13,144-foot Berthoud Pass, then the gradual descent to Denver and the open spaces.

The 56-year-old British vegetarian, drinking carrot juice in the frosty air, crossed the continental divide at 9,680-foot Rabbit Ears Pass on Tuesday with a tractor-like Snow Cat and half a dozen men for companions.—AP.

May build ships elsewhere

Sunderland, May 12.
A London shipping executive said here early today he was thinking of placing a £1 million order for a new ship with a foreign yard because unofficial labour troubles here had held up work on two of his ships.

Mr John A. Mann, Managing Director of Buries Markes, a London shipowner, made his remarks after taking delivery of the 7,000-ton motor ship Montcalm from a local builder.

The new ship will be of similar size and type as the Montcalm.

He said that the Montcalm was leaving here with her engine-room incomplete and that she would have to be finished by Italian workmen after she arrived in Genoa.

More than 100 engineering employees of the yard which built the Montcalm are bawling overtime because they want a higher bonus rate.—Reuter.

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Compared with the past, Princess Margaret's wedding was peaceful WHAT WOULD DIMBLEBY HAVE SAID ABOUT THIS GROOM?

A VAGUE but sickening haze of anxiety surrounded sober heads of the Palace officials like a hangover last weekend. Their telephones, as always, had a suitably muffled ring. But now they started at the sound of every call.

Even as they padded down the carpeted corridors their feet seemed to tap out the question: "Was there ever a royal wedding like this one?"

Was there ever a royal wedding where the groom had two living step-mothers and a living mother in the congregation? Or where there was so much rude public bickering about the cost and the procession route and about whether the occasion was public or private? Or where there was such a frightening possibility of unseemly Bohemian things being said and done?

A glance

These questions will not worry ordinary people who were delighted at the wedding. But it is easy to see why they should have upset the solemn men at the Palace. Easy to see why they murmured: "Oh for the dignified, uncomplicated royal weddings of old, when there were no worries except the weather."

Yet is that really how royal weddings have usually been?

Well, let us take a glance at the record.

Let us first imagine that a century and a half has dissolved

like a mist. Now look at the newspaper in your hands. The date is December 1786. On the next day the King's eldest daughter, the Princess Royal, will be married at last.

How does your newspaper welcome the marriage? With an extraordinary cartoon entitled "The Bridal Night" by the artist Gillray. It shows a procession to the bridal chamber. In the back hovers Pitt, the Prime Minister, carrying a bag labelled £30,000 (the dowry voted by Parliament). The rest of the cartoon is mostly occupied by the royal bridegroom's enormous paunch. The cartoonist barely exaggerated. For in figure, the bridegroom was indeed no Armstrong-Jones. He could never have coaxed the Cambridge eight. His dining tables at home were specially curved to fit his stomach. He was the Duke of Württemberg of whom Napoleon later said that God created him to demonstrate the extent to which the human skin

could be stretched without bursting.

But that was not the only remarkable thing about the royal groom in 1786. He was a widower. Some said that he had murdered his slightly first wife. But it is more likely that she was poisoned by order of Catherine the Great for the folly of loving one of Catherine's own lovers.

So pale...

It all makes the fuss last week about the Joneses seem rather pale. Especially when we add the disturbing scene which took place after the wedding. George III clung to his daughter, drenched in tears. For minutes on end it was impossible to tear him from her.

For George III was reluctant to see any of his children married. The Princess Royal was lucky to wed at 30. Her sisters were either denied marriage, or were forced to wait until the only available

bridegrooms left were elderly figures of fun. Take Plump Princess Elizabeth. She was nearing 50 when she married Frederick of Hesse Homburg, a threadbare German princeling for whom the bank balance of Mr. Antony Armstrong-Jones would have been wealth indeed. A British M.P. wrote of him: "It is impossible to describe the monster of a man, whose breath and hide is a compound between tobacco and garlic. What can have induced her, nobody can guess; he has about £300 per annum."

At a celebration after the marriage, Frederick, stooping to pick up the Queen's fan, split his breeches from waist to knee. A valet was sent for the Duke of York's breeches which were then drawn over the remains of Frederick's.

Commander Colville, the Palace Press secretary in 1960, would hardly welcome an incident like that. The other royal weddings of the time would have given Colville some difficult moments too. At 40, Elizabeth's sister, Princess Mary, married her first cousin, the Duke of Gloucester.

The Duke was not very bright. Once when an admiral told him that he had just travelled almost to the North Pole, the Duke replied that he looked so sunburned he would have thought he had been to the South Pole instead.

She sobbed

A German visitor thus described him: "Prominent, meaningless eyes; a very unpleasant face with an animal expression; large and stout, but with weak, helpless legs. He wears a neckcloth thicker than his head."

It is hardly surprising that there were tears at the wedding. The royal bride sobbed; so did her sisters; so did her brother, the Prince Regent. As for the Queen, she went throughout the following night and for most of the following day.

What Mr. Richard Dimbleby would have said as television commentator it is hard to guess. You might imagine that the wedding of Queen Victoria's children were more staid and untroubled. But you would be wrong. "I cried at your wedding" could well have been

written as a theme song for her alone.

In every case the ceremony stirred memories of her own wedding to her own late husband. For that reason she sat apart in an enclosed stall at the back when her daughter, Princess Alice, was married in 1892.

But the result was that few eyes were on the pair at the altar. The scene was dominated by the sobbing and shaking of the small, queenly figure in black at the rear. By contagion, even Palmerston, resplendent in his dyed whiskers, joined in the weeping.

Familiar

Other things too would have made Princess Alice's wedding awkward for the television men. Near the altar in Highland dress stood the Queen's little grandson, Wilhelm, later Kaiser Wilhelm. He prised a large jewel out of his dirk and pitched it at the choir. Throughout the ceremony he kept biting his young royal uncles who stood by him.

There was also some trouble of an oddly familiar kind with

the public. The Corporation of London spent £240,000 on decorations and triumphal arches. But the Queen held that the wedding was a private affair and, despite protests, insisted on having it at Windsor. Londoners had to be content with seeing the bride as she was driven there.

In secret

Similar controversy took place years later when Princess Beatrice was married. By choosing the parish church of Whippingham in the Isle of Wight for the ceremony, the Queen was able to avoid asking unwelcome guests. Gladstone was not invited, to the fury of his Liberal supporters throughout the country.

Even more sensational was the Queen's behaviour at the wedding of her grand-daughter Princess Victoria at Darmstadt in Germany. For that wedding a remarkable train snuffed across Europe loaded with royalty. There were no sleepers. Only Queen Victoria had the authority to bring a bed aboard. There were no toilet arrangements. In necessity any royal lady had to request the engine driver to stop at the next station, where the train would be shunted to and from until the lady's carriage was opposite the red carpet on the platform. Then the lady

could descend, while all eyes watched.

But for Queen Victoria, worse trouble was to come.

On the night of the wedding the bride's father, the Duke of Hesse, a widower, decided to make it a double affair by secretly marrying his mistress, Madame de Kamomile.

When Queen Victoria discovered the secret, the whole of Darmstadt shook for the duke's dead wife had been Victoria's daughter. The Queen was outraged. In his own Duchy, she sent for the duke and ordered him to end the new marriage. He instantly obeyed. "And poor pretty Kamomile had to sign a contract annulling the whole thing. And so the story of the royal weddings goes on. At some bombs have been thrown; at others, the Government's dowry has been assailed in Press and Parliament.

Even the wedding of sober Prince George, later King George V, was followed by a fantastic libel action after an utterly unfounded story had been printed to the effect that the Prince was a bigamist.

All of which, don't you feel, rather makes one enjoy the relative serenity, conventionality, and calm of the wedding of Princess Margaret to Mr. Antony Armstrong-Jones?

(London Express Service).

My Reasons for a Caribbean Honey moon

ON HIS NEW TRAVELS TO PEOPLE AND PLACES OF EXTRA INTEREST

Montego Bay, Jamaica.

IT wasn't the best welcome to the Caribbean, the iridescent sea which languorously laps the West Indies, always described by eulogising travel agents, but not by the islanders, as the Isles of Paradise, the isles of romance.

I flew down from New York to Montego Bay, Jamaica, on a plane which carried at least two honeymoon couples, according to an informative stewardess.

Even I could tell that one couple were honeymooning. The bride still wore her orchid corsage and the groom still wore the altar expression—a mixture of fatuity, smugness and self-consciousness.

When we landed and stepped into the Customs hall a coloured official in a peaked cap immediately approached the bride and without a word of warning ripped off her orchid.

Welcome...

Another official asked the groom if he was carrying any firearms. The unfortunate couple couldn't have been more stunned if their marriage certificate had been torn up and thrown at them like confetti. Of course, the explanation followed. The officials were merely obeying regulations to stop flowers, of which Jamaica has a profusion of its own tropical varieties. And presumably it has enough firearms for the moment.

Still, regulations can be applied with tact and politeness. So the sun-kissed Isles of Paradise welcomed me to their

coral-reef shores where Princess Margaret and Mr. Armstrong-Jones will spend their honeymoon.

However, the Princess will not arrive wearing an orchid corsage.

And I have since discovered that there are many reasons FOR honeymooning in the Caribbean.

Reason No. 1 FOR: The wonderful sunsets, the moon, and those stars you can reach up and touch. Now I offer reason No. 2 AGAINST the Caribbean for a honeymoon. The mosquitoes.

Big names

Of course they will not trouble the Princess and Mr. Armstrong-Jones until they step ashore, but they cannot spend all their time for six weeks aboard the Britannia with a crew of more than 250. Jamaica has an efficient anti-mosquito campaign but the squad of men armed with spray guns (not a romantic sight)

cannot kill every little blood-sucker.

Of course the hotel managers and tourist officials say blandly "we have nothing but a few sand-flies, as they scratch their mosquito bites."

Reason No. 2 FOR the honeymoon here should, I suppose, be all the big show-business names who are regular visitors or semi-residents, assuming that you or your partner are fans or namedroppers.

JOAN CRAWFORD was leaving the Half Moon Hotel in Montego Bay as I arrived. She said: "Montego Bay is my second home. I never go anywhere else."

"When I find something good I stick to it. It's beautiful and relaxing. Nobody bothers you."

The late ERROL FLYNN owned a plantation near Ocho Rios and often moored his yacht off the north coast.

One of his ex-employees said affectionately: "He knew all about the romantic spots around Jamaica and other spots in the Caribbean. He would have been an expert on how to spend a honeymoon, official or unofficial."

So dear...

BING CROSBY came to Roundhill, near Montego Bay, recently for a holiday with wife Cathy and youngest son Tex.

But he spent most of his time on golf without his wife and said that the island's courses were wonderful. They are obviously a dangerous hazard for new wives who have married golfers.

Reason No. 3 AGAINST coming to this part of the world for

a honeymoon or anything else may not affect the royal couple.

It's the expense. If you fly from England—just tourist fare—it will cost you £252 return each. At one of the leading hotels the rates during the peak winter season for a couple are £20 to £25 a day. That includes three meals—and it should.

But let's assume that you are rich and want to live like a royal couple. A hired car on a large island like Jamaica is essential.

Price: around £20 a week.

A yacht to take you cruising round the island? There is a fine 48ft., six berth launch in Kingston which will take you north to Nassau or south to Trinidad for £250 a day or £280 a week including food.

I hired a smaller one at £15 for the afternoon to take me outside the coral reefs to look at the palm-fringed, celebrated coastline. I am sorry to say it reminded me of Torquay on a windy day.

Reason No. 3 FOR choosing this part of the world must be the undeniable scenic attractions and unusual atmosphere of the island. Like Nassau, on Jamaica's North Shore where Princess Margaret relaxed on her last visit. On most of them

the virgin white sand looks as though no foot has disturbed it since Columbus stepped ashore.

The heat

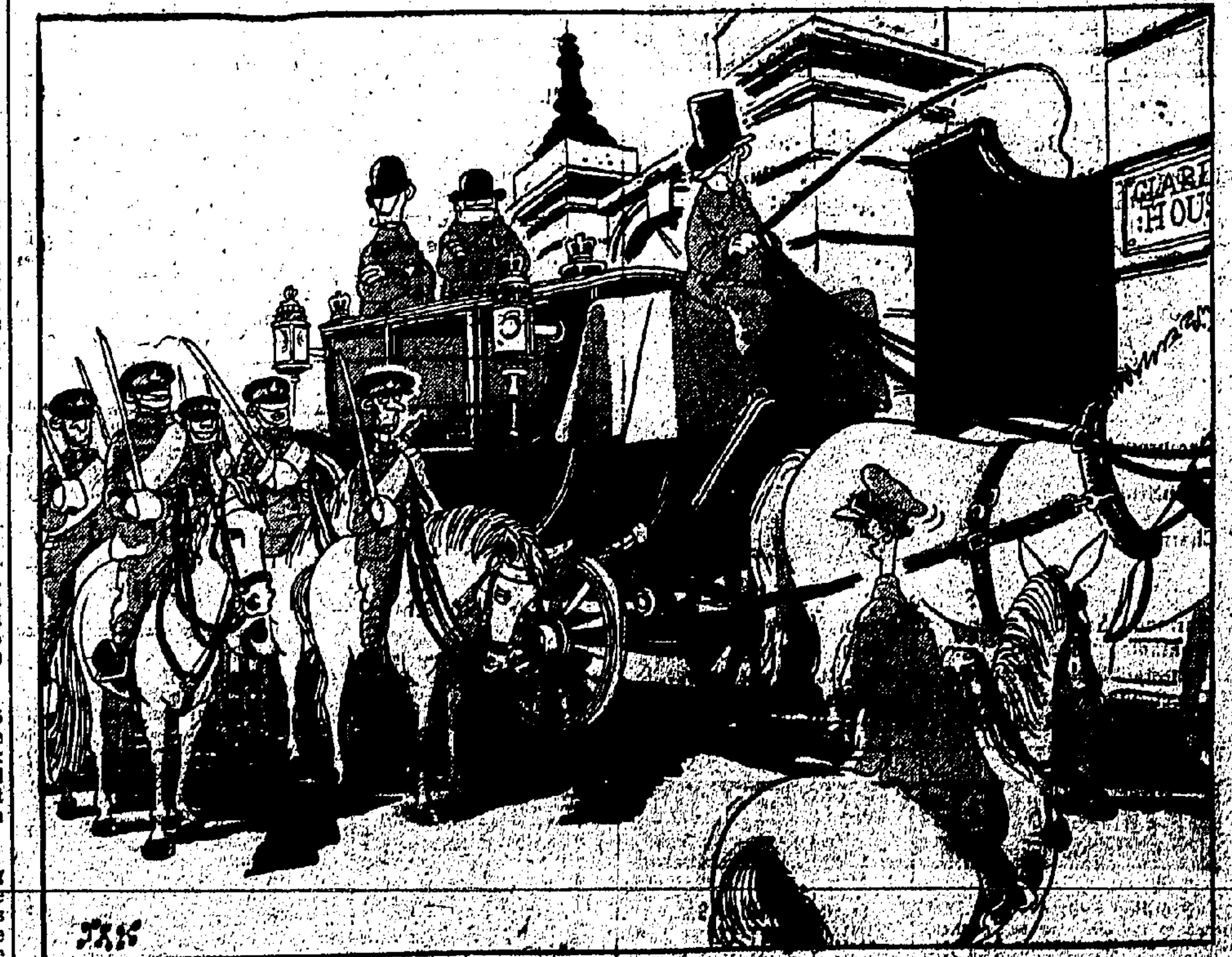
Finally, to counteract all that, I offer two reasons AGAINST THE CLIMATE. They say that it is usually cooled by the trade winds and it never varies

more than five degrees between 75 and 80. But since I have been here it has risen above 80 and humidity has been strictly high. As Cole Porter said: "It is too darned hot for love."

AND don't come here during the few weeks after the recent Royal wedding. The place is infested with photographers and newspapermen.

(London Express Service).

THE ESCORT.... BY JAK



"THIS IS NOT WELLS FARGO TROOPER CAKEHOLE. SO KINDLY REFRAIN FROM YELLING 'WAGONS ROLL' EVERY TIME WE MOVE."

SIXTY-YEAR-OLD milkman Horace Westrup, the victim of an attempted hold-up in Thornhill, Surrey, the other day, came out of it with a profit. The youth who handed him a note for a bottle of orange juice had stolen it from him, and off empty-handed when Mr. Westrup asked for a bottle of milk from the first to defend himself. Leaving Mr. Westrup the note to the good.

GENERAL DE GAULLE was addressing 4,000 citizens of San Francisco. He ended with "Vive Chicago!" which is why San Francisco is saying nothing about the matter. Especially as San Francisco is more than somewhat touchy about Chicago.

England almost humbled again

88th-MINUTE GOAL GIVES THEM 3-3 SOCCER DRAW AGAINST YUGOSLAVIA

London, May 11.

England and Yugoslavia drew three-all in their international football match at Wembley here today.

A crowd of 60,000 saw England heading for another defeat until only two minutes from the end when they scored the equaliser through Johnny Haynes.

England's hopes for a last-second win vanished when a header by centre-forward Baker hit the left Yugoslavian goalpost only to bounce back harmlessly just before the final whistle.

The half-time score of the match which was lacking in energy and inspiration, was 1-1.

The Yugoslavians seemed the more polished players but their attacks lacked determination and there was far too much lateral passing.

The lack of science in the home team's play must have disturbed the English selectors who have to pick an eleven to meet Spain in Madrid on May 15 and Hungary in Budapest a week later.

Ireland beat W. Germany at soccer

Dusseldorf, May 11. The Republic of Ireland beat West Germany 1-0 before 51,000 spectators here today in a football game which rarely rose to international level.

Ireland went ahead in the 30th minute of the first half with a goal by left-winger Fagan and afterwards concentrated on hanging on to their lead.

The Germans were without five of their regular players, who were resting before the final round of the German Football Championship. Their weakened side lacked co-ordination and the forward line missed several chances of scoring.

The Irishmen excelled in spoiling tactics and their defence, though conceding 12 corners to six, kept out all the German attacks.

Irish left-half Seward was the outstanding player on the field, starting most of the visitors' attacks and being constantly active in defence.

Left-back Nolan shone among the Irish defenders and goalkeeper O'Dwyer made several spectacular and difficult saves.

—AFP.

Elorde ready to sign return fight contract against Gomes

Manila, May 11.

The manager of world junior lightweight champion Flash Elorde said today he has received a copy of the contract for the July 6 return bout between Elorde and ex-champion Harold Gomes at Civic Auditorium in Los Angeles, California.

Lope Sarreal said he was "very much satisfied" with the contract sent to him by Cal-

A TWO-HORSE RACE

Newmarket, May 11. Mr. T. Gray's Stupor Mundi beat the only other runner, Mr. A. Kennedy's Auroy, to win the Newmarket Stakes' run over a mile and a quarter here today.

Stupor Mundi, ridden by W. H. Carr, started at seven to one against Auroy, who had been third in the 2,000 Guineas, started seven to one on Stupor Mundi won by half a length.

—Reuter.

Only inside-right Johnny Haynes who returned to the England team and left-back Wilson could be seen working in the home side.

The best of the Yugoslavian play came from the defence with goalie Soskic pulling off some brilliant saves. Inside-left Galic scored two of the visitors' goals.

Each side missed easy goals at the start of the game played under grey skies and on a pitch made greasy by morning rain.

England forced the pace for the first 15 minutes but the Yugoslavians took over the attack and in the 28th minute Galic sent a hard drive into the empty English goalmouth. Inside-right Jerkovic had sent the ball to Galic after centre-half Zebec had taken a free-kick.

Outside-right Douglas took a pass from Baker to beat Soskic by inches and give England the equaliser three minutes before half-time.

Polished play

The home team went into the last two minutes after left Graves shot through a muddle in the Yugoslavian defence line and the ball dribbled over the goal line.

The spectators saw an example of the visitors' polished play when Galic drew the English goalie Springett out of his net and sent the ball between the posts to make the score two-all in the 37th minute.

A clever exchange of passes between outside-left Kostic and his inside-man Galic ended with the left-winger slamming in a ground shot from 20 yards and Springett was again beaten.

With a 3-2 lead the visitors started to play demonstration soccer to the humiliation of their opponents and most of the 60,000 spectators and after Hungary's and Sweden's vic-

torious at Wembley England thought a third was coming up from little Yugoslavia.

—But in the 88th minute Haynes, the Fulham master-forward, headed in a shot from Baker which had bounced back from the Yugoslavian crossbar.

—AFP.

BRITAIN TO LEGALISE BETTING SHOPS

London, May 11.

The House of Commons tonight passed a government bill to legalise cash betting on horse races in betting shops to be set up all over the country.

The voting was 211 to 42, a government majority of 169.

The bill, expected to become law by the end of July, now goes to the House of Lords.

The first betting shops are provisionally scheduled to open on May 1 next year.

People off the race-tracks will now be able to back their fancy five ways: by telephone, by post, with a roundsman—such as a milkman, through a bookmaker's "factory runner"—at a place of work if the employer agrees, or at a betting office.

But street bookmakers are still banned. One of the aims of the bill is to drive betting off the streets and prevent the constant flouting of the law.—Reuter.

Jim Parks leads in race to score 1,000 runs in May

London, May 11.

Swashbuckling Jim Parks the Sussex wicketkeeper-batsman, took the lead for the 1,000 runs-in-May race today with a dynamic 131 against Glamorgan at Hove.

Parks brought his aggregate for 11 days to 451, edging ahead of his captain Ted Dexter whose four runs today took him to 433.

It is unusual for two batsmen from the same county to be chasing the elusive target last achieved by Charlie Hallows in 1928 but Sussex batting would be woefully weak without them.

After Parks' dismissal the last six wickets fell for 37 runs.

One chance

Parks batted three hours and hit 17 fours, giving only one chance behind the wicket when 31. He and Don Smith, who made 88, hit 191 for the third wicket in two hours 25 minutes.

Rain interfered with a number of matches but Philip Sharpe, the 23-year-old Yorkshire colt, had time to score 203 not out against Cambridge University for the highest innings of his short career.

Surrey batted all day at the Oval in scoring 341 for seven against Worcestershire. Dave Cletcher scored a patient 129 which included 16 fours and took him four hours 40 minutes. Essex also had a full day, running up 303 for nine against a Kent attack weakened by the absence of pace man Dave Halli-yard.

Bowlers among the wickets today were Leslie Jackson of Derbyshire, Alan Moss of Middlesex and Roy Tattershall of Lancashire.

Jackson and Moss, both seam-bowlers, dominated the Derbyshire-Middlesex match at Burton-on-Trent.

Jackson had spells of five for 12 and three for 16 in taking eight for 44 in dismissing Middlesex for 112.

Moss gained his side a five-run first innings lead by taking seven for 42 which included three-for-nought spell in eight deliveries.

Tattershall, former England offspinner, who made only one appearance last summer made

Famous University bans boxing

Madison, May 11.

Wisconsin University, famed for its long line of top amateur boxers, has banned boxing from its sports following the recent death of one of its boxers Charles Mohr.

Wisconsin boxers had won eight national amateur titles since 1933 and had won 114 inter-university meetings for the loss of only 13.—AFP.

Mackay wins Italian tennis title

Rome, May 11.

Barry Mackay of Dayton, Ohio won the men's singles title of the Italian International Tennis Championships when he beat Chile's Luis Ayala 7-5, 7-5, 0-6, 0-6, 6-1 in the final here today.

In the hard fought five-set battle, the American attacked from the start with powerful and accurate shots to take the first three games. Ayala struggled back with the scores balancing at 4-4 and 5-3. Mackay then snatched his opponent's service and won the first set 7-5.

The second set followed the same pattern as the first with the American taking the set in the twelfth game.

Ayala attacked throughout the third set, taking Mackay's service, and the American let the set slip away without scoring a game.

After the rest Mackay was slow and made many mistakes.

It looked as though Ayala had his opponent beaten when he took the fourth set 6-0 but in the fifth set the American found his form, his power and accuracy. Coming up to the net he allowed Ayala but one game as he took the set 6-1 and the title.—AFP.

Wolves go hungry

Wolverhampton Wanderers' players got exactly nothing in bonus for losing their two European Cup matches with Barcelona, but the Spanish club's players got £200 per man.—Banews Service.

CHESS

by LEONARD BARDEN

The ordinary Russian players are spectators of persons, and their grandmasters are often defeated by unknowns. Here is a game from last year's Ukraine championship, in which Geller, a former Soviet champion, is beaten by the inexperienced Nikolayev.

1. P-K4 P-Q3 2. P-Q4 Kt-KB3 3. Kt-QB3 P-KK3 4. P-B4 B-K1 5. Kt-B3 P-B4 6. PxP Q-R4 7. Q-Q3 QxP 8. B-K3 Q-QR4 9. B-K2 O-O 10. O-O P-QR3 11. K-R1 QKt-Q2 12. P-QR3 Kt-B4 13. Q-Q2 Q-B2 14. B-Q3 P-K3 15. Q-R1 Kt-K5 16. B-Q2 P-K4 Kt-B3 17. P-K4 B-K3 18. BxP P-B4 19. P-K4 BxKt 20. BxP P-B4 21. P-B4 Kt-K4 22. R-KK1 QxBI Resigns for 11 23. QxQ Kt-B7 mate.

Solution No. 5817: 1. Kt-K5 (threat 2 Kt-B4) 2. P-B3 3. B-K2 or 1. P-B4 2. R/R4 -R3 or 1. Q-K5 2. QxP or 1. BxP 2. QxP.

London Express Sports



I LOOK BACK ON 20 YEARS OF FOOTBALL

A host of thoughts flooded my mind on Saturday May 7 when Wolves and Blackburn took the field at Wembley to fight out the FA Cup Final. First, I suppose, I reflected a little sadly that my soccer career has closed with no Cup winner's medal.

But you can't always be on the winning side at soccer, and I set off to report to Tidworth, near Aldershot. I thought it was goodbye to soccer for some time. But when I went overseas I played for the Middle East Wanderers and then for the Eighth Army side and got the chance to play alongside such stars as Ray Westwood, Stan Cullis and Bryn Jones.

Alex, that great little Scotsman, is more popularly remembered as the man who did so much to make the word Arsenal a household name throughout the world of soccer.

I copied James

My memories of him go back to the time when he was a Preston player whose every move was poetry to my young eyes, as I gazed from the Deepdale terraces.

When Alex did go to Arsenal, he became immortalised not only for his uncanny skill but also for his long baggy shorts and shirt-sleeves buttoned at the wrist. And that became my soccer uniform. I even parted my hair in the middle.

It was as an inside-left that I first joined Preston as an amateur. Two years later, I signed professionally as an outside-right.

At the end of that first season I played in a Cup Final. Only a wartime one, it's true. But the match was at Wembley and before a crowd of 75,000. Until then I had been used to the crowds of 5,000 that normally attended wartime league games.

We were up against mighty Arsenal, with my immediate opponent Eddie Haggood, one of the greatest of full-backs and skippers England ever had.

My knees knocked

How my 19-year-old knees knocked as I got changed.

We drew 1-1 and won the replay 2-1 to add the Cup to our title of Champions of the North-Region of the Football League.

After that Wembley match, Eddie Haggood paid me the compliment of saying that it was the first time he had come up against an outside-right who controlled the ball with his left foot.

The following year I got a taste of big representative football when I was picked for the FA XI to play the RAF. It was an international in all but name. Of the 22 players, only Jack Fairbrother, our goalkeeper, and myself had not been "capped".

I knew that critical eyes would be focused on me. For the match was at Stoke, home town of Stanley Matthews, and Stanley was playing for the RAF. But all seemed to go well. It was a thrilling match which we won 4-3.

My next big soccer thrill came when I joined the Army. When I set off to report to Tidworth, near Aldershot. I thought it was goodbye to soccer for some time. But when I went overseas I played for the Middle East Wanderers and then for the Eighth Army side and got the chance to play alongside such stars as Ray Westwood, Stan Cullis and Bryn Jones.

Demob came in 1946, and my return to League soccer in August was followed in September by my first international cap. I took the place of Stan Matthews who was injured, in the England team that played Ireland in Belfast.

I'll never forget that occasion, and not only because we won 7-2. The way established stars like Raich Carter made me feel

Last of series

THIS is the last of Tom Finney's football commentaries for this season. We hope that the feature has proved popular with readers.

It is highly probable that Tom Finney will become the permanent football correspondent for a leading English national Sunday newspaper and we hope to be able to introduce a new feature by another top soccer personality next season.

At home from the very start made it such a happy occasion. I kept my place in the England team until the final game of that home season against Scotland at Wembley, when Matthews was recalled.

By now the Matthews versus Finney argument was in full swing and for the next game it was Stan's turn to be dropped.

I was a member of the England side that beat France 3-0.

A truce

Then I was picked for my first overseas tour (apart from the one of the government's expense) with the England team that visited the Continent. I did not play in the side which lost the first game to Switzerland, but came into the team which drew with the Swiss "B" side.

I was glad when the selectors called a truce in the Matthews-

Finney controversy and picked us both, myself on the left-wing, for the game with Portugal.

The scheme could not have had a better send-off. It was one of those days when everything went right and England won 10-0. Stan Mortensen got four goals, Stan Matthews and I one apiece.

(Editor's note: Finney so gave the opposing full-back the run around that a substitute was brought on in the second half—but to no avail.)

Another great moment came on tour the following year. We were due to meet Italy, then at the height of her soccer fame. We won 4-0 and it was a particularly memorable occasion for me as I scored two goals.

Fearing that Second Division football might jeopardise my England place, I even thought about leaving Preston. But our chairman, that wonderful soccer character J.R. Taylor, persuaded me to stay, telling me that we would be signing new players in a bid to get back to the First Division.

Within two years we were back. And with our lively attack led by Charlie Wayman, we had one of the best sides over at Deepdale.

It was in this season, that Wilf Mannion fractured his cheekbone in the game with Scotland at Wembley. In this general re-shuffle that followed, I sometimes found myself playing inside-forward to Matthews.

It was a fascinating experience and one I would have very much liked to have repeated.

Here I would like to pay tribute to Wilf Mannion, whom I rate as the finest inside-forward I have played with.

Great honour

Having won promotion, Preston almost won the First Division Championship two seasons later, being piped on the post by Arsenal on goal average.

We had a close season tour of the Continent at the end of that season, and when we left the country were two points clear at the top of the table. Arsenal still had a postponed game to play.

On the eve of the Cup Final, they beat Burnley 3-2 to take the title.

The following season—1953-54—I had the great honour of being selected as Footballer of the Year.

It said that so many players suffer disappointment after winning this award that there must be a hoodoo on it.

I was soon to suffer such a disappointment, one of the biggest of my career. We had got to the Final of the Cup and with two good footballing sides on view—our opponents were West Bromwich Albion—a soccer classic was expected. The game was also being hailed as "Finney's Final" to follow the "Matthews Final" of the previous year.

The match was a flop, and in the game in which I so desperately wanted to do well, I just could not get going.

Happy at centre

A couple of lean League seasons followed and when we lost the first three matches of the 1956-57 season the outlook was bleak. Then our trainer, Jimmy Milne, suggested I played at a centre-forward. I was happy to do so and, although we lost our fourth game by 3-2 away to Manchester United, I scored a goal.

A few days later our new manager arrived—Cliff Britton, who was England's right-half when I began to soccer.

I stayed at centre-forward and in the next game we gave Cliff an arrival present by hitting Cardiff for six. I scored two of the goals.

We finished the season in third place, and, for that appalling start, could have been champions. I was again given the honour of being chosen Footballer of the Year (Editor's note: Finney is the only player to gain the award twice).

Now I must sit on the sidelines, watching others fight for honours.

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Cooking Problems Solved



SPORT WAS THEIR DESTINY

The jungle baby kept appointment with fame

By JOHN COTTRELL

Australia 601 for eight wickets declared. England eleven runs for three wickets. The Brisbane scoreboard told this story of England's dismal failure when a tall, burly figure emerged from the pavilion tugging nervously at the peak of his cap and squaring his heavy shoulders. He was just 21. And he was starting what seemed to be the longest walk of his life. Within minutes he would be making his Test match debut... facing the thunderbolts of Lindwall and Miller in his baptism of fire.

The date was November 29, 1954, and Michael Colin Cowdrey had an appointment with destiny.

Colin Cowdrey was destined for cricket from the day he was born at Bangalore, Southern India, on Christmas Eve, 1932.

From that moment his future was being planned by a strong-willed father whose own cricket ambitions had been frustrated by his conflicting interests as a tea planter.

Even as he toddled in the Indian jungle, Ernest Cowdrey dreamed of his new-born son's glorious future on the playing fields of England. And it was not just coincidence that the infant's initials were M.C.C. — the same as the governing body of world cricket.

Intensive coaching
But there was a dreamer with the practical know-how to turn his greatest hope into reality. For from the age of four, Colin Cowdrey was subjected to an intensive coaching programme. It was brilliantly conceived, ruthlessly executed. And according to all the rules of Messrs Freud and Jung it should have given the boy an anti-sport complex for life.

The family's tennis court, laid out in the Indian jungle, served as a pitch. And four-year-old Colin was made to bat with his back to the net while his father bowled in a line parallel and very close to the net.

This was the key to his future success. While a novice instinctively swings his bat across the front of the body, Cowdrey was compelled from the start to play a straight bat.

With a cross-bat action he would strike the net. And if he pulled the ball into the net his father would rule him "out." The net also prevented him from retreating from a delivery on the leg stump and his father's rules encouraged him to play into the ball and to drive to the off.

Incentive
Each time he hit the net with either bat or ball, Colin was penalised with a half-hour spell of bowling. Since he much preferred batting this was a strong incentive for playing strokes correctly.

Even at four, Colin daily faced the bowling of his father and an Indian servant called Krishnan. Long before he could read, he was fully drilled in the straight-bat technique. His father knew that leg-side strokes would come easily enough in later years.

Recalling that tough training, Cowdrey told me: "It just shows what a small brain I must have had not to be bored by it all." In fact, the training was successful only because he had remarkable patience and natural sporting ability.

Even at four, the boy was certain of his destiny. Once his father took him to his tailor in Bangalore and the boy quipped: "Should I book him now to make my England blazer?"

But Ernest Cowdrey was no Svengali of sport. He merely laid the foundations on which others might build his son into a Test cricketer. Thus the boy continued to make phenomenal progress with relatives in England and during his formal education there.

Boy wonder
Now he was encouraged, not by one cricket fanatic, but by many. His grandparents and aunt loved the game. His preparatory school headmaster, Mr C. Walford, coached his boys four days a week and matches were played on two other days.

The upshot of it all was that Cowdrey, the young man of destiny, developed faster than any schoolboy in cricket history. At six, he made a century at his preparatory school.

At 12, he was hailed by cricket experts as "the boy wonder of the century." The Jack Hobbs of the future, a certain Test player before he is 18.

But the proudest moment in Cowdrey's early days came

when, at the age of seven, he slammed 93 runs for his school. The prize was an autographed bat from his Surrey idol Jack Hobbs. A letter came with the bat. "That letter encouraged me more than anything else," says Cowdrey. "I framed it and hung it in my bedroom."

Youngest
Strangely, it was Cowdrey the bowler, not Cowdrey the batsman, who made his mark in his first year at Tonbridge School. He was 13 and promptly won a place in the public school's first eleven—batting at No. 11. By the end of that season he had won promotion to No. 3—and national fame.

Playing in the Tonbridge-Clifton match at Lord's, he made 75 and 44 and took the last five Clifton wickets for a snail's pace. He was 13, while no other player in either team was under 19. He was the youngest cricketer ever to play at Lord's; the youngest to play for a public school first eleven.

At Tonbridge, Cowdrey also became Head of the School, captain of cricket (at 15) and rugby, and public schools rackets champion. Maurice Tate of England, batsman than Bradman at the same age.

All this despite the fact that Cowdrey was suffering badly from a stiffening of the joints in both big toes. At 16 he underwent a manipulative operation and for almost five months lay in the school sick bay with his legs in plaster and irons.

Later this complaint resulted in his discharge as a National Serviceman in the RAF and today he wears specially-made cricket boots and sometimes takes pain-killing drugs.

But destiny still beckoned and Cowdrey could not ignore it. Even with one leg still in plaster and an iron he resumed practice at the nets. That year, he was named by Wisden as the best schoolboy batsman since the war. At 17, he explained the public Schools versus Combined Services and hit 126 and 55 not out, reached 1,000 runs in a season, and made his county debut for Kent.

Oxford Blue
There was no checking him. At 18, he gained his county cap and hit his first century in first-class cricket. At 19, he won his Oxford Blue after only three matches. At 20, he slammed 197 runs in one season, including two half-centuries against the Australian tourists.

By now cricket was his life. Anything else had to be sacrificed. And when, in 1954, he was chosen to tour Australia with Len Hutton's various MCC party, he threw up his chance of gaining an arts degree to make the trip.

On his first appearance at Sydney he hit two centuries—140 and 103—against New South Wales. Then came the First Test and, after fielding for two and a half days under a blazing sun, his debut as an England batsman.

England Captain
Since then, M. C. Cowdrey has played against every cricketing country except Pakistan and has captained England in the absence of Peter May. He has also married and now has a son (Christopher Stuart, aged two) of his own.

Will his son also have cricket thrust upon him? "No," says Colin Cowdrey.

"My father was very lucky he didn't turn me against cricket by forcing the game on me so early in life. So I'm not going to take any chances with my son. If he happens to be a bookworm, well, it will be just too bad."



COLIN COWDREY

Oxford struggle for runs against South Africans

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OLYMPIC MEMORIES

By ARCHIE QUICK

This summer in Rome not far short of one thousand of the world's best athletes will be competing for the 45 gold medals given to the supreme winners of the running and field events in the Olympic Games.

The setting will be magnificent in the ancient City of the Seven Hills, and, in complete contrast to the meeting in Melbourne four years ago, the representatives of the Northern Hemisphere will have the advantage. They will not be running out of season as they did in Australia.

It is certain that Australia's men and women will excel on the race track and at swimming. He won with a final jump of 28ft. 0 1/2 in. and then for good measure cleared 28ft 5 1/2 in. — a record which still stands to this day. In this modern day and age, there cannot be better competition than that. But Owens, in his Chicago home, will watch the proceedings from afar with interest.

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U.S.-CANADA DAVIS CUP TIE IN JULY

New York, May 11.
The U.S. Davis Cup team will meet Canada in the first round of the American Zone competition at Quebec City on July 15-17.

The announcement was made jointly today by W. Harcourt Woods, chairman of the U.S. Davis Cup Committee, and Stephen T. Hagerman, a manager of the American Zone competition.

If the U.S. team is successful against the Canadians, the Americans will oppose Mexico at Mexico City on August 6-8. If the American team, still unnamed, is involved in the American Zone final, the matches will be played at Cleveland, Ohio, on September 18-19.

Other American Zone matches are: First round — New Zealand versus British West Indies on July 15-17 at either Georgetown, British Guiana, or Caracas, Venezuela. Second round — Winner of above match versus Venezuela at Caracas on July 22-24. — AP.

20-year record

On the final day, when the Nazis had given up their well-staged propaganda meeting as a loss, Jesse was a member of the United States team which set up new Olympic figures for the 400 metres relay race and also returned a world record of 39.8 seconds.

Incidentally, this record stood for 20 years until the Americans beat it at Melbourne.

What annoyed the Germans so much was that after all these triumphs coloured Jesse Owens beat their own champion Luz Long in the long jump. In the morning Owens barely failed to reach the qualifying standard of 23ft 5ins — this after he had done over three feet more a year earlier. Jesse grunted his teeth. He beat the required qualifying distance by only 1/16th of an inch in his last jump, but in the final, with two jumps to go, Long and Owens were,

Fight offer for Curvis

Sydney, May 11.
Sydney Stadium manager, Mr Harry Miller said today he would offer Welshman Brian Curvis a £2,000 guarantee to meet highly rated American Ralph Dupas, in Sydney. Stadiums Limited are Australia's major boxing promoters. Curvis at Swansea, Wales, on Monday outpointed Australian George Barnes to win the British Empire welterweight title. Mr Miller said: "We will pay Curvis' and his trainer's expenses which will come to £2,400 on top of the guarantee. Curvis also would have an option of 25 percent of the gate. "This could easily come to £23,500," he said. — China Mail Special.

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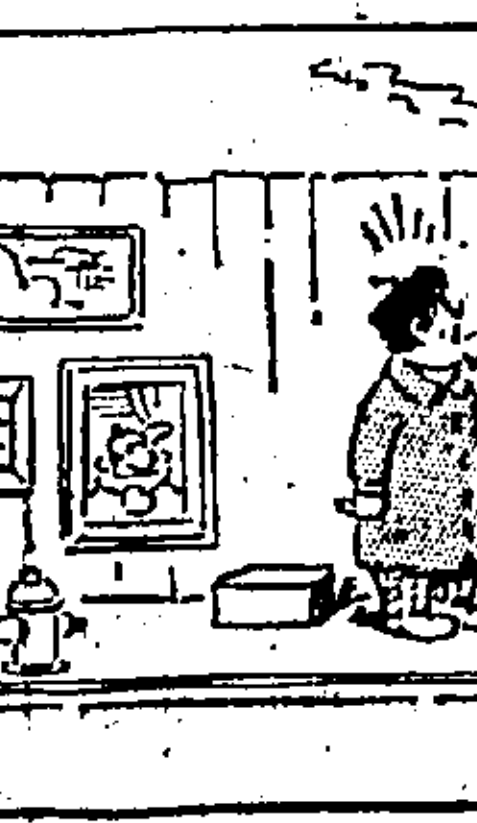
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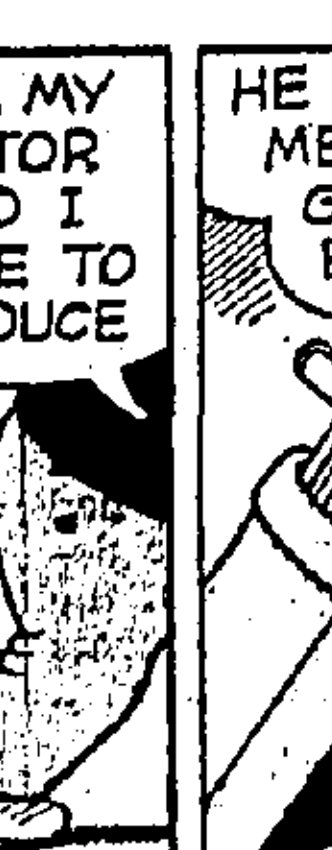
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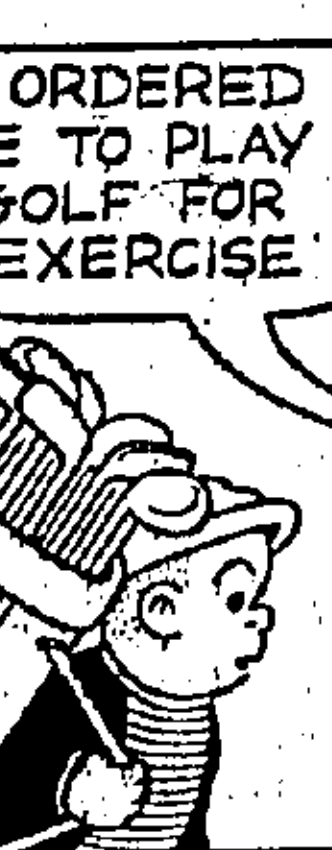
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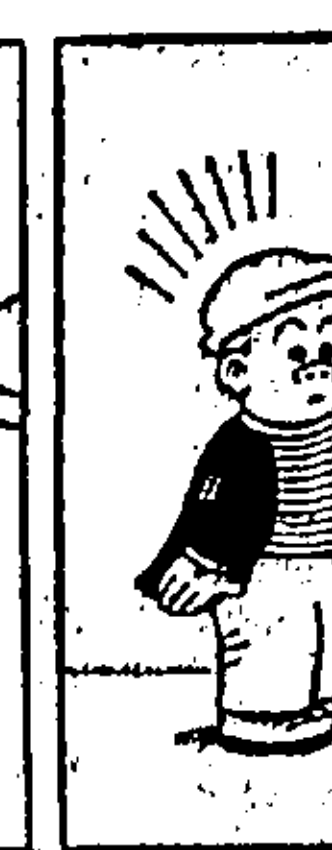
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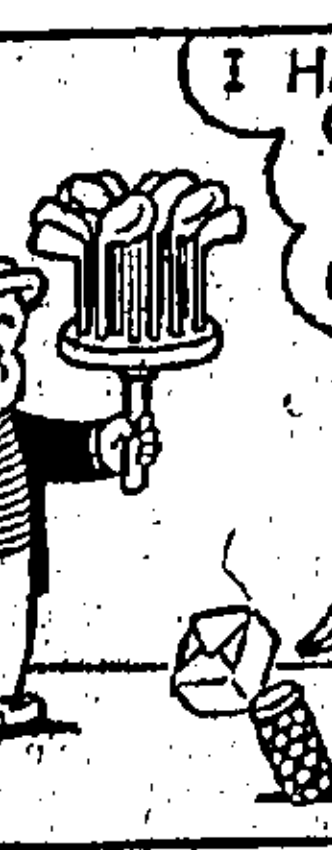
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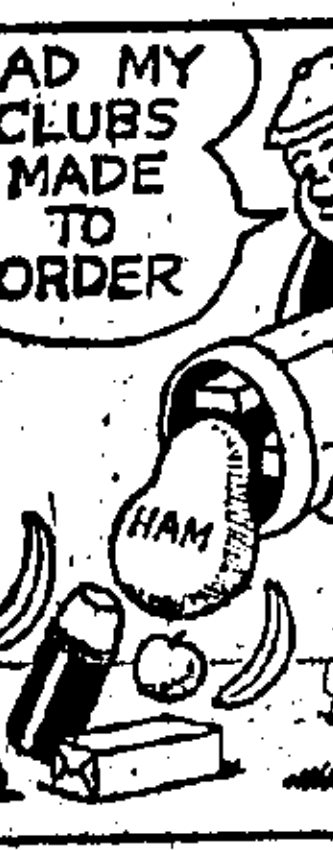
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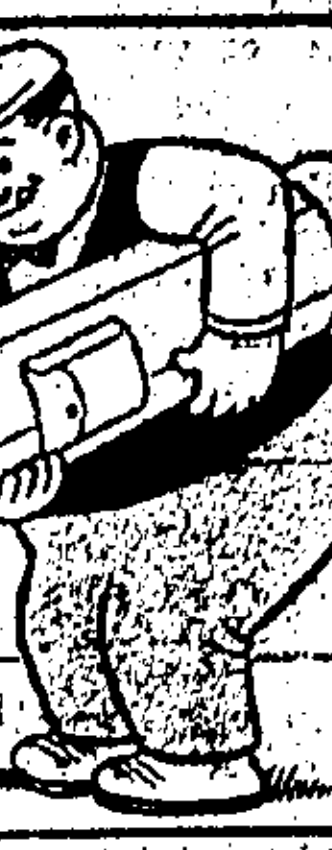
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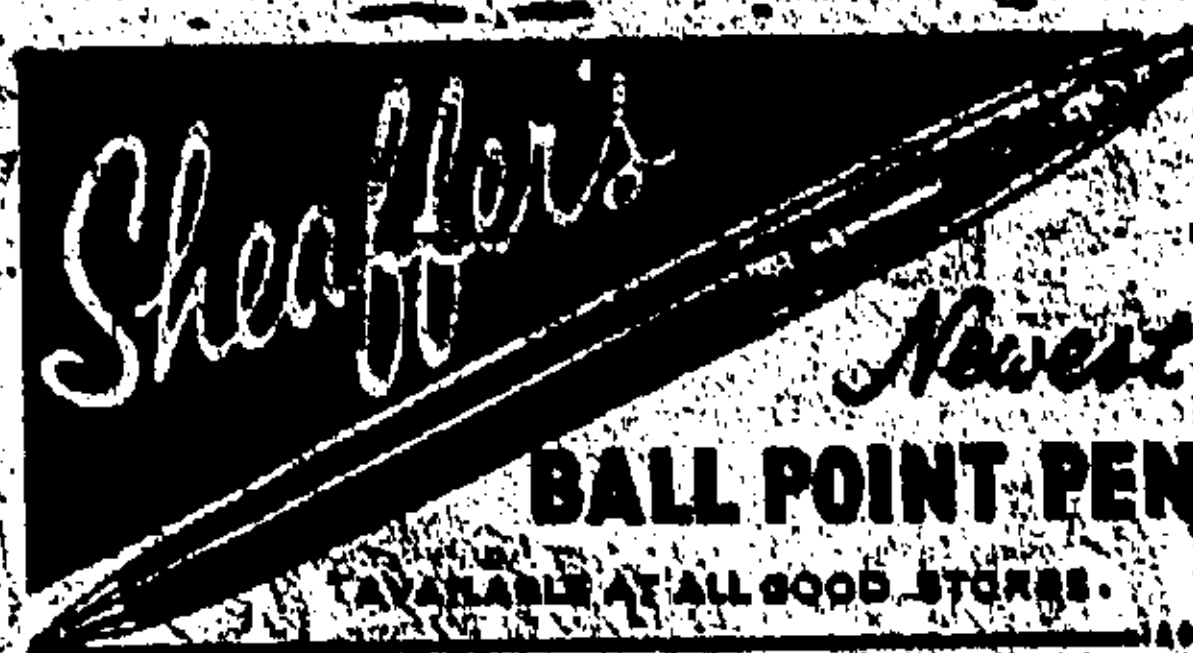
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CHINA MAIL

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THURSDAY, MAY 12, 1960.



Housebreaker tells Judge he wanted to "raise a little money"

A burglar told a judge today he robbed a house in Island Road because he wanted "to raise a little money to start a business."

William Holden the artist



HERE SHE IS
Elizabeth Moore

William Holden, who plays the part of an artist in "The World of Suzie Wong", is having all the pictures he will paint in the film done for him by a brilliant young London artist.

She is 25-year-old Elizabeth Moore, who is now in Hongkong. Producer Mr. Ray Stark gave Elizabeth her first big break.

He heard about the young artist while he was in London, asked to see her work and the next day Elizabeth had a job.

Never forget
"I'll never forget the day he asked me to see him and a few minutes later told me that he wanted me to come to Hongkong," Elizabeth told the China Mail.

"At first I was so thrilled I thought I would fail but once I got the pencil in my hand I was alright."

Elizabeth has sketched and painted all the portraits of Nancy Kwan who as "Suzie" poses for artist Bill Holden.

In London she operates a small studio where she makes her living solely from portrait work.

Great for prestige
Income was extremely erratic and Elizabeth never could say where her next meal was coming from.

"This job has been great for my prestige in London and I know things will be much different when I return."

"I'll never forget Hongkong and 'Suzie Wong' for what both have done for me."

HK fourth biggest film maker

Hongkong now ranks as the fourth largest film producing country in the world.

First is Japan, second, Hollywood, and third, India.

Last year, Hongkong produced 200 major productions. Most of the films are in Mandarin dialect, with a smaller number in Cantonese for distribution locally.

Small profits only in shipbuilding

The Chairman of Takoo Dockyard and Engineering Co. Ltd., Mr. W. C. Knowles said in his annual report today that competition for new orders for ships is so keen that "to obtain them, it is necessary to quote at price levels at which little profit from building can be expected."

Mr. Knowles added that the directors considered it best that sufficient orders should be booked, even on this basis, to ensure that the company's skilled ship and engine-building teams would be kept in employment.

A dividend of \$2.80 a share was declared. Net profit for the year ending December 31, 1959, was \$235,553.

At today's annual meeting the director's report and accounts were adopted.

Lowe, Bingham and Matthews were re-appointed auditors.

dear sir

The Summit

Re your editorial of May 10: That Mr. Herter's Dullesian stand should fill you with awe is not surprising.

What is surprising, though, is your Arcadian belief that the forthcoming summit meeting "up to last week stood good chances of ushering in a new era in East-West relations."

Is it possible that you should have already forgotten the niceties Khrushchev has promised us on his recent tour to Southern Russia, if we would not come to terms — his terms — on the Berlin issue?

Major crises within the Soviet Union have always inspired Khrushchev and his worthy predecessors to instigate crises in the Free World.

The relationship between the "Berlin issue" and the mass exodus from East Germany is not fortuitous. Its importance — to the Soviet Regime — can be measured by Khrushchev's rabid drive to "settle" it, and by Communism's typical — and therefore no longer esoteric — manoeuvres of diversion such as the "revival" of Nazi anti-Semitism, of German militarism, the India-China border "incidents," etc., etc.

For what other reason, indeed, was China instructed to throw sand into India's spinning-wheel, and the carefully planned exhibition of Chou En-lai's unrelenting attitude, but to provide Khrushchev with a bargain; his terms on the Berlin issue against his making China toe the line?

The import of Mr. Herter's stand is appreciated, and as it has been taken from a position of strength, it is the only one that may inspire some sober thoughts to Khrushchev and his cohorts.

It may be used, of course, as a pretext to add some fire to the cold war that has been raging on since Communism has come into being. Pretends, however, are not causes and, therefore, no amount of diplomacy aimed at preventing the occurrence of pretends can ever prevent war.

It is the cause, the source, that must be checked.

Neither the fear that death might follow an operation nor the knowledge that some pretext or other will be found to condemn them, prevents doctors to "carry out" their solemn duties.

And so it must be when the life of all Humanity is concerned.

HENRI J. BALLERAND.

"I was unemployed," explained Tse Shang, 35, who had five previous convictions and a "shocking and disgusting record" according to Judge W. F. Pickering.

He told the judge at the Victoria District Court this morning that following previous convictions he had been under police supervision.

Dismissed

The Police visited him so often that his master dismissed him. Judge Pickering, who noted that he had already served terms of 21 and 24 months, sent him back to prison, this time for 30 months.

He ordered Tse to be placed under police supervision for two years after he had served the sentence.

Chief Inspector C. L. Smith said the accused broke into the house — 37 Island Road, fifth floor — on the afternoon of April 28, while most of the occupants were away.

To the kitchen

He went to the kitchen, took a chopper and a pair of tweezers and entered the middle room.

However, a man who lived in a rear room saw him and he crept out of the house and summoned the Police.

The accused was arrested as he was leaving the house, Insp. Smith said.

Market report

For some time now I have been puzzled and not a little exasperated by your reports concerning the Hongkong Stock Exchange.

In last Friday's issue (May 6) which, on page 2, gave a resume for the week, it was stated that on the previous Monday (May 2) the market had "opened with signs of profit-taking which resulted in a slight weakening of prices." This was in fact completely misleading as the market had opened on a strong and active note with at least 17 stocks making good gains during the day (most comparing favourably with the previous Friday's closing rates), while others remained firm, and only a few lost ground fractionally.

Today, Wednesday May 11, under your front page headline "Stock Market Frenzied" you state, inter alia, that "There were price increases in banks, hotels and cement" (sic). If your reporter would refer to the official Stock Exchange List (or even to your own page 2 prices) he will find that Banks moved down from 1290 to 1285. The one share which appeared first at 1285 did not constitute a board lot and in any case was "direct business." Banks fluctuated within exactly the same limits yesterday too, 1290 and 1285. Where may I ask is the increase to which you refer?

Although I am in the fortunate position of being able to check the facts, there are many who may gain a false impression, and I would therefore like to draw your attention to the discrepancies which have appeared in your paper, the rest of which I enjoy.

SMALL INVESTRESS.

PLEADS NOT GUILTY TO GEM THEFT

Yuen Chung-kuang, a 48-year-old merchant, this morning pleaded not guilty to six charges of larceny by bailee and larceny of precious stones valued at more than \$400,000, when he appeared before Judge W. F. Pickering at the Victoria District Court.

Hearing of the case was fixed for June 20.

PICTORIAL PARADE



LEFT: Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Gordon (seated, centre), employees of the South China Morning Post, Ltd., shown with friends after their wedding at St. Margaret's Church last week. The bride is the former Miss Maureen Tong.

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BELOW: Mr. A. K. Khan, Pakistan's Minister for Industries and Power (left) arrived this week and was greeted by the Pakistani Trade Commissioner, Mr. A. Rob.



ABOVE: Mr. and Mrs. Jan Van Esen who were married at the Union Church, Kennedy Road, last week. The bride is the former Miss T. Morinck.

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RIGHT: Group photograph of those present at the laying of the foundation stone of the S.P.C. and Family Planning Association Centre at Ma Tau Chung Road last week.



HK FILM SHOWN AT CANNES FESTIVAL

Shaw Bros. who have entered the big screen Eastman Colour Film "The Shadow of the Enchantress" in the Cannes Film Festival, have heard that it was well received by a packed audience last night.

The film has also been praised by critics of London papers.

The decision of the jury will not be known until this week-end.

Mr. Raymond Chow, of Shaw Bros said this morning that while his company is not entertaining too high hopes for a major award, the reception the film received is gratifying because this was the first time a Hongkong film has been entered in a major European festival.

PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY FILM PREMIERE

The Photographic Society of Hongkong will hold a gala premiere of the film "Solomon and Sheba" starring Yui Brynner and Gina Lollobrigida on June 23, at 9.30 p.m. at the Princess Theatre, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

The society are raising funds for the construction of permanent premises.

The President of the Society, Mr. L. Fook-hing said: "We hope the citizens of Hongkong will help the Society by making this Gala Premiere a success."

Two Royal wedding films

By ANTHONY FULLER

China Mail Film critic

The Royal wedding films, "Wedding in Springtime" (Rankin) and "May Wedding" (Associated British Pictures) have arrived in the Colony and both will be on show at the Royal and State Cinemas, beginning today.

The films capture in colour the glamour of the occasion, the pomp and circumstance that is associated with such an event, and at the same time, the many asides that give the personal touch to such events.

The huge crowds which lined the route; the beautiful dawn that broke over London last Friday; the wise ones who made themselves comfortable upon the pavements and crawled out of their blankets and toasted the day in hot coffee.

All this is there besides the Sovereign's escort, the solemn moments in Westminster Abbey, where, for the first time, the movie cameras were allowed right inside to catch the more intimate moments of the wedding ceremony.

It was a great occasion, and the showing of these films is one also, for today, right to the afternoon part of the day, these films of a happy family occasion, are on show.

No prima facie case against two drivers

Judge T. Creedon in Kowloon District Court this morning discharged a RAF corporal driver and a Chinese driver.

The judge told the court that the charges were dropped because there was no prima facie case.

Corporal A. L. Moffat and Wong Lin-cheung, driver of a private car had been charged with dangerous driving causing the death of six-year-old Chan Kiu-ying on March 9 at the intersection of Waterloo Road and Boundary Street.

Crown Counsel Mr. D. E. Greenfield earlier alleged that a case of dangerous driving had been established against the defendants by the evidence of the witnesses and by the statements of the defendants themselves.

Difficulty to say

At yesterday's hearing, Mr. Ronald Eaton of Kai Tak told the court that after examining the scene it was difficult to say which of the two vehicles was going faster before the collision.

In answer to Mr. Leong (representing Wong) Mr. Eaton said that if Wong's vehicle had been stationary at the time of the accident it would have overturned.

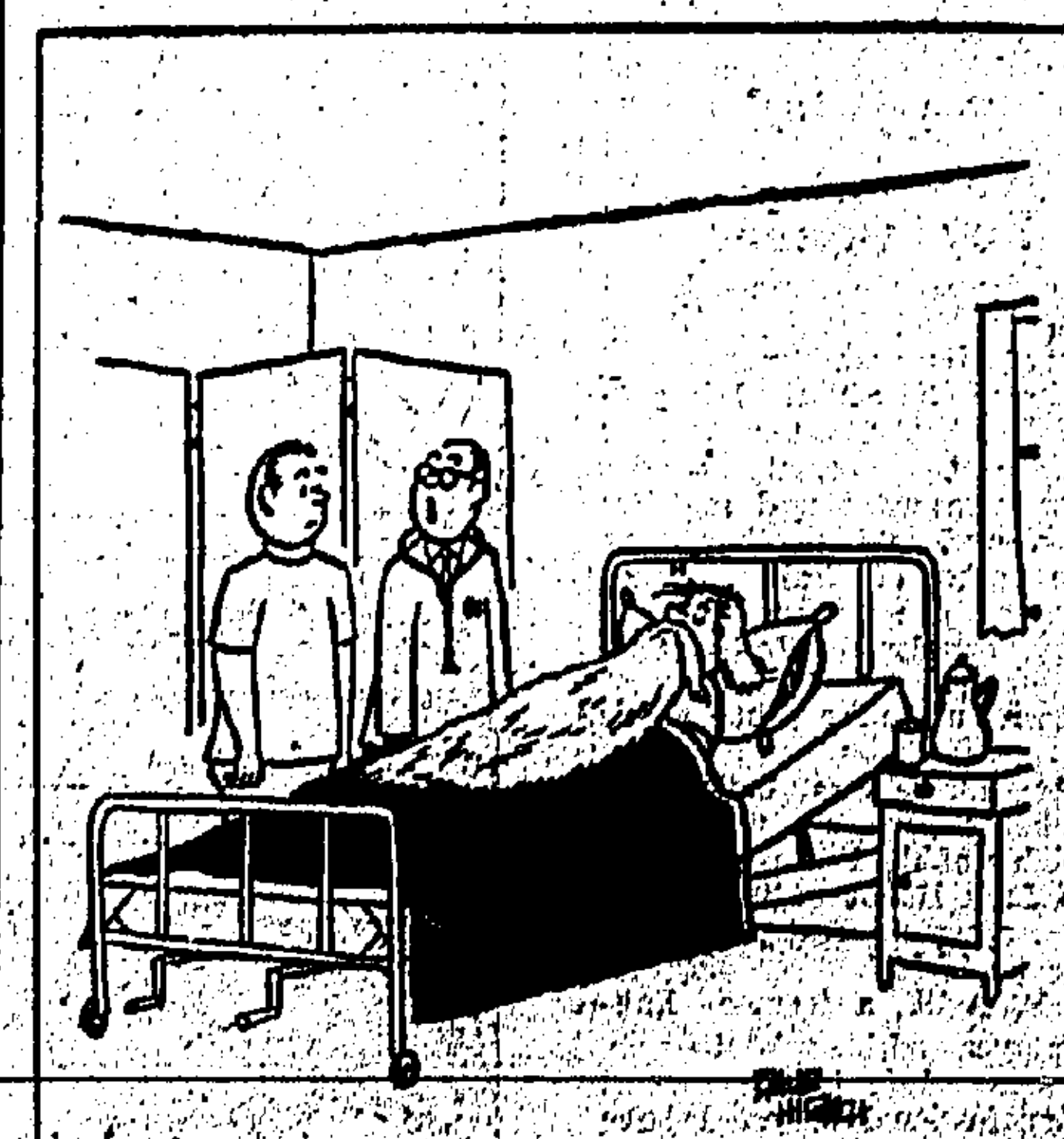
"All I can say is that the two cars were locked together," he told the court.

Both Mr. Leong and Mr. Hampton (representing Moffat) maintained that the prosecution had failed to prove that there was sufficient evidence of dangerous driving.

On a second charge in which both Moffat and Wong were ac-

cused of dangerous driving causing the death of pedestrian Wu Wing-cheung the prosecution entered a nolle prosequi.

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